of students who have applied for admission and the number who have not been able to obtain admission cannot be stated precisely. However, the University has indicated that it should be in a position to absorb practically all the eligible candidates.

1794. [*Transferred to the 10th August, 1983*].

Talks during Prime Minister's visit to France

1795. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Prime Minister visitel France during the month of July, 1989; and

(b) if so, the nature of discussions held between the Prime Minister of India and the leader|VIP of other countries, country-wise?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) P M participated in the Bicentanary celebrations of the French Revolution in Paris. Over 30 world leaders were present on this occasion. Prime Minister renewed bilateral contacts with them. Substantive discussions were held with the Heads of State or Government of Bangladesh, Brazil, Canada, Egypt, FRG, Japan, Mexico, Philippines, Senegal, Uganda, UK, USA, Zimbabwe and the UN Secretary General, among others. In addition substantive talks were also held with the French President, Prime Minister and Finance Minister. The PM was closely and actively associated with the initiative taken at Paris to call for a North-South Summit. The discussions with the leaders covered bilateral and international issues and resulted in greater respect and understanding for our perceptions and policies at home and abroad.

Coordination in economic activities between Soviet Union, China and India

1796. SHRI BHUVNESH CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any proposals are being considered to coordinate economic activities between Soviet Union, China and India;

(b) whether there was any such agenda in the talks held recently between President Gorbachov and Prime Minister of India; and

(c) what is the latest thinking of Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) to (c) Possibilities of increased and expanded bilateral and other forms of economic cooperaiton have been under discussion with both USSR and China, as indeed with other friendly countries. Certain aspects of this matter were naturally discussed during the Prime Minister's visit to Moscow in mid-July 1989. Government intend to continue consultations and dentify concrete areas of poosible cooperation.

Need for shifting of Dimapur Railway Station

1797. SHRI KHYOMO LOTHA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that the Dimapur Railway Station is at present situated in old city and needs shifting to any open place there;

(b) if so, by when the work is likely to start; and

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (c) Dimapur station is situated in the city.